

MINDY OF THE COUNTRY

"Mindy, wake up. It is time to eat breakfast. [Gap/ Man/ Then] you need to do your chores," [new/ said/ only] Mom. Mindy said, "OK, Mom."

Mindy [crack/ smelled/ alone] breakfast cooking. She could tell what Mom [for/ get/ was] making. She smelled bacon and eggs. [Go/ Two/ She] hoped Mom was making biscuits. She [name/ liked/ carts] them with butter and jam.

Mindy [sit/ you/ put] on her clothes. She washed her [tree/ moon/ face] and combed her hair. It was [coat/ still/ what] dark outside when she walked to [way/ the/ us] kitchen. Her family ate breakfast early [fat/ we/ in] the morning. Then they did chores. Mindy [homes/ seven/ milked] the cows. She fed the chickens [stop/ and/ into] got the eggs from the hen [what/ house/ moth]. Her brother fed the horses. Dad [where/ could/ worked] in the fields on a big [did/ of/ red] tractor. Mom worked in the house. [She/ Take/ Part] cleaned and cooked. She also managed [go/ way/ the] money made by the farm. It [rush/ send/ was] hard work for the family.

Mindy [dash/ liked/ book] the country. She had a big [yard/ free/ were]. Dad had built a swing set for [her/ get/ raw]. She played after she finished her [alone/ chores/ where]. Sometimes she got lonely. There were [no/ may/ we] girls for her to play with. [She/ Look/ Done] wished that she lived in the city. [Carts/ There/ Less] she would have friends. She could [go/ dry/ law] to a movie. She could wear a [dress/ swing/ toys]. Then Pam called on

the telephone. Pam [do/ tea/ was] Mindy's cousin. Pam lived in the [big/ no/ as] city. She lived in an apartment.

Pam [cook/ ticks/ asked] Mindy to come for a visit. "[In/ Jar/ May] I go visit Pam?" said Mindy. "[On/ Yes/ Me], you may," said Mom.

Mindy was [of/ eye/ so] excited. She could not sleep that [night/ open/ green]. She wondered what it would be [how/ like/ into] in the city.

The next morning [she/ go/ horn] hugged Mom and Dad good-bye. "I [deed/ will/ lip] see you soon," said Mindy. She [care/ rode/ were] a bus into the city. It [hold/ mail/ was] a fun trip. She sat up [are/ tall/ was] and looked out the window. Soon [make/ the/ sit] fields turned into houses. Then Mindy [bark/ men/ saw] buildings. As they neared the city, [any/ do/ she] saw tall buildings.

Pam met Mindy [do/ at/ us] the bus station. They went to [put/ see/ you] a movie. Then they got an [be/ was/ ice] cream cone.

That night Mindy could [one/ not/ we] sleep. The traffic outside was [noisy/ seed/ pint]. She missed Mom and Dad. The [next/ like/ were] morning she got up early.

Mindy [knee/ fry/ had] fun in the city but she [was/ cap/ ago] ready to go home. She hugged Mom [bell/ and/ toy] Dad. "I had fun," said Mindy. "[Thanks/ Chair/ Reader] for letting me go. I still [like/ hold/ color] the farm more. I like being [to/ if/ a] farm girl."